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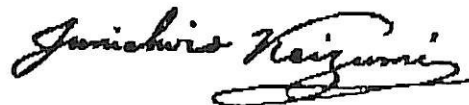
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Dear Governor Schwarzenegger,

Thank you for extending me the invitation to witness the signing of the bill which encompasses new measures to reduce greenhouse gas emissions in California. On this occasion, I would like to commend you, Governor Schwarzenegger, and people of California for taking a leadership role in protecting the earth's environment.

Japan is doing its utmost to reduce its greenhouse gas emissions. As the world's two biggest economies, Japan and the United States share common responsibility to lead the world in its effort to fight global warming. It is not an easy task, but with the cutting-edge technologies that are being developed on both sides of the Pacific, and the growing awareness among the people of the need to take urgent action against this serious threat to mankind, I am sure we will be able to meet the challenge, and hand down this beautiful planet to our children.

With best regards,



Junichiro Koizumi  
Prime Minister of Japan

The Honorable Arnold Alois Schwarzenegger  
Governor of the State of California  
The United States of America